- **WHEREAS,** February 2007 has been designated Career and Technical Education Month in the State of Nevada; and
- WHEREAS, Career & Technical Education is designed to promote student success by making strong connections between learning and life, and is based on the philosophy that a student's motivation is likely to increase if there is a strong connection between the classroom and the student's world of reality; and
- WHEREAS, Career & Technical Education is, first and foremost, education that provides students with academic subject matter relevant to the real world, employability skills including workplace ethics, and education pathways that help students explore interests and careers in the process of progressing through school; and
- WHEREAS, the Nevada State Board of Education has adopted a Career & Technical Education diploma endorsement for all Nevada high school graduates who successfully meet or exceed a required series of courses in an area of Career & Technical Education; and
- WHEREAS, student organizations are a basic component of Career & Technical Education programs. They support and enhance both school-based and work-based learning opportunities as well as enable students to achieve both academic and career competencies, develop leadership skills, and build confidence and self-esteem; and
- WHEREAS, business advisory committees are organized to provide advice and assistance to the teachers and administrators of specific CTE programs. Business and community leaders are an integral part of designing and updating course curricula, classroom equipment, teaching materials and teacher professional development in order to be sure that students are learning the most current skills; and
- WHEREAS, the ever-increasing cooperative efforts of career and technical educators, and business and industry stimulate the growth and vitality of our local economy and that of the entire nation by preparing graduates for career fields forecast to experience the largest and fastest growth in the next decade.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert A. Cashell, Sr., Mayor of the City of Reno, Nevada, do hereby proclaim

February 2007 as CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Reno, Nevada, to be affixed this first day of February 2007.

Robert A. Cashell, Sr., Mayor City of Reno

ATTEST: Lynnette Jones, Clerk City of Reno